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C O N F I D E N T I A L SANTO DOMINGO 2736

CARACAS FOR ROBERT PASTOR, NSC

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, PEPER, PINS, DR

SUBJECT: FURTHER INDICATIONS OF REFORMISTA STRATEGY

1. AFTERNOON PRESSOF MAY 20 CARRIES PARTIDO REFORMISTA FULL PAGE  
ADS CHALLENGING TOTAL VOTE CLAIMED BY PRD IN NATIONAL DISTRICT.  
AS WITH PR ADS IN MORNING PAPER CALLING INTO QUESTION PRD FIGURES  
COUNTRY-WIDE, AFTERNOON TABLOIDS CARRY PAID-SPACE ALLEGATIONS  
SAYING CORRECTED JCE FIGURES ON PRD VOTES IN THE CAPITAL ALONE  
"REVEALS CLEAR EVIDENCE OF FRAUDULENT MANEUVERS AND IRREGULARITIES  
IN THE VOTER REGISTRATION LISTS THAT AFFECTED THE VOTING IN THE  
WHOLE COUNTRY, AND MOST ESPECIALLY IN THE NATIONAL DISTRICT."

2. THE PR ALSO APPEARS TO BE UNLIMBERING RADIO-TV CAMPAIGN ON  
THEME OF PRD'S SUPPOSED MASSIVE FRAUD. AFTERNOON SPOTS ON TV, FOR  
EXAMPLE, PLUG THE SCHEDULED APPEARANCE TONIGHT OF RAFAEL BONILLA  
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AYBAR, RABIDLY ANTI-COMMUNIST JOURNALIST WHOSE FAMOUS HARANGUES  
AGAINST JUAN BOSCH IN 1963 HELPED WHIP UP ANTI-COMMUNIST HYSTERIA  
THAT FINALLY OVERTHREW BOSCH'S GOVERNMENT.

3. MEANWHILE, AD ARE CONTINUING TO APPEAR, SPONSORED BY BROAD  
SPECTRUM OF INFLUENTIAL DOMINICAN ORGANIZATIONS, URGING THAT JCE  
BOARD ENSURE AN HONEST VOTE COUNT.

4. COMMENT: IF, AS THE AD CAMPAIGN INDICATES, THE PR INTENDS TO  
USE THE SYSTEM OF LEGAL CHALLENGES TO REVERSE THE APPARENT RESULTS  
OF THE ELECTION, IT HAS A BIG JOB COUT OUT FOR ITSELF. FIGURES USED  
IN ITS AD THIS AFTERNOON ALLEGE A PRD VOTE IN THE DISTRICT  
CONSIDERABLY REDUCED FROM THAT CLAIMED BY PRD. BUT THE PR'S OWN  
VOTE IS PROPORTIONALLY REDUCED, SO THAT THE PRD'S 2-1 MAJORITY  
STILL STANDS.  
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